

COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF CYLINDRICAL CONCRETE SPECIMENS AASHTO T 22

APPARATUS

- [] Testing machine has a verification of calibration within the last 13 months
- [] Protective Cage

PROCEDURE -- SULFUR MORTAR CAPS

- [] Diameter of test specimen determined to nearest 0.01 in. by averaging two diameters measured at right angles to each other at mid-height of specimen (shall not differ by more than 2%)
- [] Length of test specimen determined to nearest 0.05 x diameter when length to diameter ratio is less than 1.8 or more than 2.2
- [] Test specimens kept moist during the period between removal from moist storage and testing
- [] Lower bearing block placed, with hardened face up, on the table or platen of testing machine directly under the upper bearing block
- [] Faces of both bearing blocks and test specimen wiped clean, and test specimen placed on the lower bearing block
- [] Load indicator set to zero. If indicator is not properly set to zero, indicator is adjusted.
- [] As spherically-seated block is brought to bear on the specimen, movable portion of block is rotated gently by hand so that uniform seating is obtained.
- [] Load applied continuously and without shock
- [] For screw-type testing machines, the moving head rate of movement is adjusted to achieve a stress rate of 35 ± 7 psi/s
- [] For hydraulically-operated testing machines, load applied at a rate of movement corresponding to a stress rate on the specimen of 35 ± 7 psi/s
- [] Rate of movement maintained at least during the latter half of anticipated loading phase of testing cycle
- [] No adjustment in rate of movement of platen made at any time while specimen is yielding rapidly immediately before failure
- [] Load applied until test specimen fails
- [] Maximum load carried by test specimen during test recorded. Type of failure and appearance of concrete noted.
- [] Capp thickness measured and does not exceed limits
- [] Compressive strength of test specimen determined to nearest 10 psi as follows:

$$\text{Compressive Strength} = \frac{\text{Maximum Load}}{\text{Average Cross - Sectional Area}}$$

- [] Compressive strength corrected when specimen length-to-diameter ratio is equal to or less than 1.75 by multiplying by a correction factor as follows:

L/D:	1.75	1.50	1.25	1.00
Factor:	0.98	0.96	0.93	0.87

(Values not given in table are determined by interpolation)

PROCEDURE -- NEOPRENE CAPS

- [] Each neoprene cap used to test no more than 100 cylinders
- [] Same surface of neoprene cap used for all tests with that cap
- [] Concrete cylinder ends have no depressions deeper than 0.12 in.
- [] Perpendicularity is verified for compliance on both ends of specimen
- [] 6 in.x 12 in. cylinders:0.12 in. at 12 in.
- [] 4 in.x 8 in.cylinders 0.08 in. at 8 in.
- [] 6 in. diameter cylinders do not differ in height by 0.2 in. for any two measurements
- [] Extrusion controllers, containing neoprene caps, placed on the top and bottom surfaces of test specimen
- [] Axis of test specimen aligned with center of upper bearing block
- [] No loose particles trapped between test specimen and neoprene caps or between the bearing surfaces of extrusion controllers and bearing blocks
- [] Procedure for testing same as procedure for testing cylinders with sulfur mortar caps except as noted within this section

Acceptance Technician

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